

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

FEBRUARY 21, 1893.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. GALLINGER, from the Committee on Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT:

[To accompany H. R. 8409.]

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 8409) granting a pension to Mary Danahay, have examined the same and report:

The Committee on Invalid Pensions of the House of Representatives, having examined fully the evidence in this case, and having reported on and passed said bill, the report on which is as follows:

The Committee on Invalid Pensions have considered the bill (H. R. 8409) granting a pension to Mary Danahay, and submit the following report:

The records of the War Department show that Daniel Danahay served in Company E, Thirty-fifth New York Volunteers, from June 30, 1861, to June 5, 1863; again enlisted August 10, 1863, in Company H, Eighteenth New York Cavalry, and was killed in action May 17, 1864. He left a widow, Margaret (Cronin), to whom he was married July 7, 1863. She applied for pension, which was granted February 10, 1865, at \$8 per month.

On March 26, 1866, this petitioner filed a claim as mother of this soldier, alleging that he contributed to her support; that he left no child surviving, and that his widow, Margaret, had remarried, November 7, 1865. The mother's claim was rejected on the ground that the soldier left a widow surviving him. The mother is now about 80 years of age and is a widow, her husband having died at the age of 81 years.

There are on file seven letters written by the soldier in 1861 and 1862 from the Army to his parents, in which he mentions sending them money aggregating \$135.

In an affidavit executed January 28, 1869, Richard Wall testifies that he knew Mary Danahay and her son Daniel Danahay, deceased, of Company H, Eighteenth New York Cavalry; and that he knew the soldier's handwriting and that the letters above referred to are genuine, and that he believes she was dependent on the son for support.

J. B. Ainsworth in 1869 testified that the petitioner's husband was taxed for property valued at only \$100, and that so far as he knew he had no other taxable property.

Dr. W. J. Bulger, of Oswego, N. Y., testifies that the petitioner is now about 80 years of age, feeble and diseased, possessed of no property whatever, and dependent upon the charity of others for support.

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